REMARKS

In the Office Action dated July 21, 2004, the Examiner rejected claims 1, 3-5, 15 and 16 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being unpatentable over Hwang (U.S. Patent No. 4,786,444); and claims 1, 7, 8, 11 and 18 as being unpatentable over Martin et al et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,658,602). The Examiner further rejected claims 2, 6, 12, 14 and 17 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Hwang, in view of DeRozier et al (5,6206,35), and further in view of Morland (U.S. Patent No. 5,114,629).

The Examiner has also found claims 24-28 as allowable and objected to claims 20-23 as depending upon rejected claims.

The undersigned has reviewed the July 21, 2004, Office Action and respectfully traverses all rejections, however in order to expedite allowance of the subject matter the Examiner has indicated is allowable, the Applicant has cancelled the pending rejected claims and amended the claims which were objected to such that they no longer depend from rejected claims.

Claims 20-28 are currently pending and Applicant respectfully believes that all pending claims are in condition for allowance.

No new matter has been added. The undersigned respectfully requests that all pending claims, as amended, be allowed.

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